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as Application Serial No. 09/416,235  
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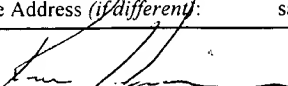
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## ASSIGNMENT

Serial No.: 09/416,235

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Whereas, we, the undersigned Inventors, have invented certain new and useful improvements in:

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR EXECUTING PLURAL PROCESSES ON A MICROELECTRONIC WORKPIECE AT A SINGLE PROCESSING STATION

(Hereinafter referred to as "Inventions") for which we are making application for Letters Patent in the United States of America;

And, whereas we desire to assign a 100% undivided interest in said Inventions, said application disclosing the Inventions and any Letters Patent which may be granted therefor to Semitool, Inc. and whereas Semitool, Inc. is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in the same;

Now, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged;

We hereby assign, sell and transfer the entire right, title and interest in said Inventions, said application, including any divisions, continuations, and continuations-in-part thereof, and in and to any and all Letters Patent of the United States, and countries foreign thereto, which may be granted for said Inventions, and in and to any and all priority rights, Convention rights, and other benefits accruing or to accrue to us with respect to the filing of applications for patents or securing of patents in the United States and countries foreign thereto, unto Semitool, Inc.:

Semitool, Inc. is hereby authorized to apply for patents relating to the Inventions in its own name in countries where such procedure is proper; to claim the benefit of the International Convention; to file and prosecute international applications relating to the Inventions under the Patent Cooperation Treaty; and to file and prosecute applications to the Inventions under the European Patent Convention; and we agree to execute applications relating to the Inventions in those countries and under those conventions where it is necessary that the same be executed by the inventor;

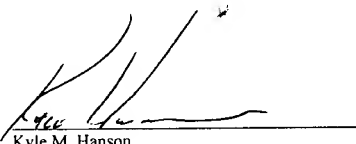
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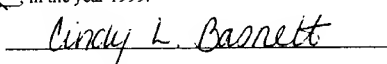
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